Re. : Amendment and Response to Office Action Mailed September 16, 2005

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## I. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph [055] with the following paragraph:

As shown in Figure 2, table top 1 also has two U-shaped inner lips which face each other. The interior surface of the inner lips has connecting apertures similar to those described above. In addition, bushings or sleeves similar to those described above may be used to align an end of a center bar 2' 22 therein. The center bar 2' 22 is shown connected to an end of support bar 5. The other end of support bar 5 is connected to a V-shaped strut 4. The other end of V-shaped strut 4 is connected to a table leg 3.

Please replace the paragraph [058] with the following paragraph:

[058] A first sleeve 6 is disposed in the first connecting aperture 12 and an opposing second sleeve 6' is disposed in the second connecting aperture 12'. Preferably, first sleeve 6 and second sleeve 6' are substantially aligned. They do not have to touch each other. Recess 15 provides a notch which serves to guide the second sleeve 6' into the second connecting aperture 12'. In addition, recess 15 protects the end of the second sleeve 6' from being exposed.